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RESPONSE TO AUGUST 17, 2005 OFFICE ACTION

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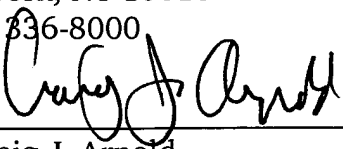
In response to the restriction and species requirement set forth in the Office Action dated August 17, 2005, Applicants hereby elect Group A, shown in figures 1-6. Applicants request substantive examination of Claims 1-24, encompassing the elected species.

A response to the August 17, 2005 Office Action is due September 16, 2005. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed. If any fee is required to preserve the pendency of the subject application, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

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